

HOUSE RESOLUTION 73
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A RESOLUTION To honor and recognize Miss Sarah Wright, of Johnson County Middle School, upon being named a United States National Award Winner in History and Government.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Wright is one such exceptional student who was recently named by the United States Achievement Academy as a United States National Award Winner in History and Government; the award is a prestigious honor that only a few students can ever hope to attain as the Academy recognizes fewer than ten percent of all American high school students; and

WHEREAS, Through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Sarah has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, Miss Wright was nominated for the award by Julian Crews, a teacher at Johnson County Middle School; Sarah will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally; and

WHEREAS, The Academy selects USAA winners upon the exclusive recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors and other qualified sponsors, and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy; the criteria include a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director; and

WHEREAS, Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy, has said, "Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement"; and

WHEREAS, Sarah's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Miss Wright's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, George and Andy Wright of Mountain City, and her grandparents, Kay and Buzz Thorp of Wilmette, Illinois, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Sarah's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend and honor Miss Sarah Wright, of Johnson County Middle School, on her impressive academic achievement in being named by the United States Achievement Academy as a United States National Award Winner in History and Government, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy and successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.